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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Secretary  
 National Security Council

SUBJECT : First Progress Report on NSC 123

1. The first progress report on NSC 123, "Evacuation of Selected Key Indigenous Persons from Danger Areas," is submitted for the information of the members of the Council.

2. NSC 123 was approved on 7 February 1952. The following action has been taken:

(a) Preparation of Lists. Prior to the approval of NSC 123, CIA, in conjunction with representatives of the Departments of State and Defense and of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, had already instituted a program for developing world-wide evacuation target lists. Under this program and in pursuance of NSC 123 the following action can be reported:

(1) Lists of scientific persons have been prepared by competent agencies in Washington.

(2) Diplomatic missions in 20 countries on the Eurasian mainland have submitted individual target cards on nominees in the fields of Government, military affairs, and intellectual pursuits.

(3) Diplomatic missions in the technologically advanced countries of Europe are preparing cards on the technical and industrial categories.

(b) Inter-Agency Coordination.

(1) In April 1952, the Department of the Army advised military commanders in occupied areas of their responsibility for integrating CIA alien intelligence and special operations personnel into their noncombatant evacuation plans, and authorized preliminary discussions on the matter with the appropriate CIA representatives.

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(2) In June 1952, the Department of State advised all Liaison Groups and diplomatic missions of their responsibility in connection with the evacuation of CIA alien personnel.

(3) In keeping with the requirement of WAC 123 that the Departments of State and Defense, the Atomic Energy Commission, and the Office of Defense Mobilization should participate with CIA in this program, CIA has requested each of these Agencies to appoint a representative to serve on a permanent inter-agency committee which will nominate evacuees and review and evaluate evacuation target lists. To date, representatives have been appointed by State, AEC, ODM, and CIA. As soon as the defense representative is designated CIA will call an initial meeting to determine organization and procedure.

(c) An appropriate identification card for use in this program has been designed.

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Director

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